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of Extensible Markup Language  
Data in an E-Procurement System  
and Method

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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 OF INVENTION OF  
SRIDATTA VISWANATH AND YAFENG LI**

We, Sridatta Viswanath and Yafeng Li, do hereby declare as follows:

1. We are the inventors of the subject matter of the present patent application no. 09/982,210, titled "Customizable Two Step Mapping of Extensible Markup Language Data in an E-Procurement System and Method" and filed October 17, 2001.

2. Before December 11, 2000 and within the United States we conceived of and began working on the design of our invention as claimed in the present patent application no. 09/982,210.

3. Before December 11, 2000 and within the United States we completed by actual reduction to practice our invention as claimed in the present patent application. During a period of time before December 11, 2000, we designed and developed embodiments of the present invention for inclusion in version 4.0 of a software product titled BuyerXpert. We satisfactorily tested and reduced to practice our invention before

December 11, 2000. As supported by the attached exhibits, BuyerXpert version 4.0 was released to the public by December 11, 2000.

4. Exhibit 1 attached hereto is a copy of a Competitive Intelligence Report, dated December 12, 2000, describing the release to the public of iPlanet Commerce Platform by December 11, 2000. The Competitive Intelligence Report further states that the iPlanet Commerce Platform is a software product including BuyerXpert version 4.0.

5. Exhibit 2 attached hereto is a copy of a Press Release, dated December 11, 2000, describing the release of iPlanet Commerce Platform. The Press Release illustrates that the iPlanet Commerce Platform includes BuyerXpert version 4.0 and was released to the public by December 11, 2000.

6. Exhibit 3 attached hereto is a copy of iPlanet Release Notes for BuyerXpert version 4.0, which indicates that BuyerXpert 4.0 was created, and thus actually reduced to practice, prior to December 11, 2000.

7. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issued thereon.

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